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THIRD QUARTER MILK PRODUCTION

WEST VIRGINIA -- Milk production in West Virginia totaled 51 million pounds during the July - September quarter of 2004. This was down 5 million pounds from the same quarter last year and 1 million pounds below the April - June 2004 quarter. The number of dairy cows averaged 13,000 head, unchanged from the previous quarter, but down 2,000 head from the same quarter last year.

UNITED STATES – Milk production in the U.S. during the July-September quarter totaled 42.2 billion pounds, up 1.1 percent from the July-September quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.03 million head, 40,000 head less than the same period last year.